

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the title beginning at page 1, line 3 with the following rewritten title:

Methods and Apparatus for Transmitting Data in a Radio Communication System Including Signaling Allocation of a Common Channel.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 26 with the following rewritten paragraph:

The mobile radio system shown in Figure 1 as an example of a radio communication system ~~includes~~comprises a multiplicity of mobile switching centers MSC (although only one Mobile Switching Center is shown in Figure 1 for illustrative purposes) which are interlinked and set up access to a landline network PSTN. In addition, these mobile switching centers MSC are connected to at least one respective device ~~RNM~~radio network manager RNM (which is also known in the art as a Base Station Control, as indicated in Figure 1). for controlling the transmission resources. Each of these devices RNM permits, in turn, a connection to at least one base station BS.